



# The Death of John Acker



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John was dead before he hit the floor. The bullet was deep in his brain, and the man who had fired the gun had leapt from the 70th story window and vanished. In his last seconds, John was able to drag himself from the living room to the front door, half open the front door, and then die, leaving his body to be found by the woman in the apartment next to him

She was hysterical. So hysterical that she dropped her laundry all over the hallway, and didn't bother to pick it up. Instead, she ran screaming down the hallway, yelling for someone to call the police.

The police were called, and they arrived 10 minutes later (after a fiasco with the elevator). The body, as the police detective estimated, had been dead for nearly 6 hours by that point, and was definitely the body of John Acker. It also was definitely dead. They took it away to the morgue, leaving the apartment empty.

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